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Senate Resolution 1149

By: Senators Golden of the 8th, Meyer von Bremen of the 12th, Hooks of the 14th, Carter of the 13th, Staton of the 18th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. William Pope "Billy" Langdale; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. William Pope "Billy" Langdale has served this state with distinction for 25
- 3 years as a member of the State Transportation Board and during his tenure he never missed
- 4 a meeting; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Langdale was elected to the board in 1988, and served as its chairman from
- 6 April, 1995 until April, 1996; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Mr. Langdale was born on February 10, 1921, in Valdosta, Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he graduated from Valdosta High School and went on to attend the University
- 9 of Georgia, 1938 to 1940; Mercer University, 1940; Valdosta State College, 1940; the
- 10 University of Georgia, 1941; and the Naval War College, 1951; and
- WHEREAS, he served his country honorably in the United States Marines from 1942 until
- 12 1950, receiving the Bronze Star in the Battle of Piva Forks, Bougainville, and retired as a
- 13 Lieutenant Colonel; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he is senior vice president of The Langdale Company, and has other affiliations
- 15 with Langdale Ford Company, Langdale Timber Company, and Langdale Forest Products
- 16 Company; and
- 17 WHEREAS, he was chairman of the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners, serving
- 18 from 1961 to 1976; director of Flue-Cured Tobacco Stabilization Corporation Board, serving
- 19 from 1971 to 1973; and member of the Lowndes County Industrial Authority Board, serving
- 20 from 1961 to 1988; and

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1 WHEREAS, Mr. Langdale is a member of the Valdosta Country Club, the Elks Club, the

- 2 American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Masonic
- 3 Order, Knights Templar, Shriners, and the First Baptist Church in Valdosta, Georgia; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Langdale is widowed and has three wonderful children, William Pope
- 5 Langdale, Jr., Robert Harley Langdale, and Mary Jacquelyn Langdale Dickey.
- 6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 7 recognize Mr. William Pope "Billy" Langdale and commend him for his long and valuable
- 8 service to the State Transportation Board, his community, and the state.
- 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 10 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. William Pope "Billy" Langdale.